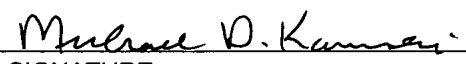


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>064886-0106</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB2004/000417	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 02/05/2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 10/544,232
TITLE OF INVENTION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HEAT SEALING A LIDDING SHEET		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 02/06/2003
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Peter John HOUZEGO et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.	
3. <input type="checkbox"/>	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.	
4. <input type="checkbox"/>	The US has been elected (Article 31).	
5. <input type="checkbox"/>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)	
6. <input type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	
7. <input type="checkbox"/>	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.	
8. <input type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).	
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Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:		
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12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	
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21. <input type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee		<b>\$300</b>		\$ 0.00	
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If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)		<b>\$100</b>		\$ 0.00	
All other situations		<b>\$200</b>			
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Applicant's attorney respectfully requests that the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application be changed to reflect the new attorney docket number of **064886-0106**.

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